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OF PROTEINS AND USES THEREOF

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Dear Sir:

This communication is submitted in response to the Advisory Action dated April 24, 2003 (Paper No. 18) which issued in the above referenced application. Applicant notes that the Examiner did not enter the affidavit submitted on April 11, 2003 because it was not "directed SOLELY to issues which were newly raised by the Examiner in the final rejection". The Examiner also states in the Advisory Action that the 112, 1st paragraph rejection of claims 46 and 48 was overcome. Therefore, responsive to the Advisory Action, Applicant respectfully requests reexamination and reconsideration of the above-

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identified application in view of the following amendments and remarks. Applicant also submits herewith: (1) a Request for Continued Examination (RCE), including a petition for an appropriate extension of time; and (2) a copy of a 131 declaration pursuant to 37 C.F.R §1.131 including Exhibits A-D (31 pages). Please amend the above-identified application as follows: